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THE DOG OF MONTAGIS.

A gentleman named Macaire, an officer of the king's body-guard, entertained, for some reason, a bitter hatred against another gentleman, named Aubrey de Montdidier, his comrade in service. These two having met in the Forest of Bondy, near Paris, Macaire took an opportunity of treacherously murdering his brother officer, and buried him in a ditch. Montdidier was unaccompanied at the moment, excepting by a greyhound, with which he had probably gone out to hunt. It is not known whether the dog was muzzled, or from what other cause it permitted the deed to be accomplished without its interference. Be this as it might, the hound lay down on the grave of its master, and there remained till hunger compelled him to rise. It then went to the kitchen of one of Aubrey de Montdidier's dearest friends, where it was welcomed warmly and fed. As soon as its hunger was appeased the dog disappeared. For several days this coming and going was repeated, till at last the curiosity of those who saw its movements was excited, and it was resolved to follow the animal and see if anything could be learned in explanation of Montdidier's sudden disappearance. The dog was accordingly followed, and was seen to come to a pause on some newly turned-up earth, where it set up the most mournful wailing and howlings. These cries were so touching that passengers were attracted, and finally, digging into the ground at the spot, they found there the body of Aubrey de Montdidier. It was raised and conveyed to Paris, where it was soon afterwards interred in one of the city cemeteries. The dog attached itself from this time forth to the friend, already mentioned, of his late master. While attending on him, it changed several times to get a sight of Macaire, and on every occasion it sprang upon him, and would have strangled him had it not been taken off by force. This intensity of hate on the part of the animal awakened a suspicion that Macaire had had some share in Montdidier's murder, for his body showed him to have met a violent death. Charles V., on being informed of the circumstances, wished to satisfy himself of their truth. He caused Macaire and the dog to be brought before him, and beheld the animal again spring upon the object of its hatred. The king interrogated Macaire closely, but the latter would not admit that he had been in any way connected with Montdidier's murder. Being strongly impressed by a conviction that the conduct of the dog was based on some guilty act of Macaire, the king ordered a combat to take place between the officer and his dumb accuser, according to the practice, in those days, between human plaintiffs and defendants. This remarkable combat took place on the Isle of Notre Dame, at Paris, in presence of the whole court. The king allowed Macaire to have a strong club as a defensive weapon, while on the other hand, the only self-preservative means allowed to the dog consisted of an empty cask, into which it could retreat if hard pressed. The combatants appeared in the lists. The dog seemed perfectly aware of its situation and duty. For a short time it leaped actively around Macaire, and then it came, it fastened itself upon his throat in so firm a manner that he could not disentangle himself. He would have been strangled had he not cried for mercy and begged his crime. The dog was pulled off him, but he was only liberated from its fangs to perish by the hands of the law. The fidelity of this dog has been celebrated in many a drama and poem, and it has been usually called the Dog of Montargis, from the combat having taken place at the chateau of Montargis.—*Chambers' "Anecdotes of Dogs."*

A DUTCH VILLAGE.—A writer on Dutch villages says: "A model village preserved in a glass case could not be more free from dust, life or human interest than Brook. A small lake and innumerable small canals so interlace the cottages and streets that it looks as if built upon a series of islands connected by bridges. The streets are all paved to the water's edge with small bricks. Each tree is bricked round the trunk. Bricks keep down earth, grass and damp, and are so thoroughly secured and spotted that it is impossible to walk without an uneasy feeling of leaving a stain from some adhering dust of mother earth. The inhabitants (if there are any) seemed to have resigned the town to sight-seers. I am quite serious when I assure the reader that three travellers, at eleven o'clock in a fine summer afternoon, watched from a spot near the centre of the village, and did not for at least ten minutes see a living thing except a cat, stealing slowly toward a bird, which seemed to share the general repose. You ask very naturally, "What were the inhabitants about?" I put the same question at the time in a half-whisper, but there was no one to answer. All experienced, I think, a sort of superstitious awe from the unbroken quiet, so that the striking of the clock made us start. We visited the churchyard (naturally), and found everything arranged with the same regard to order. There are no graves, but rows of small black wooden pegs driven into the ground, rising six inches above the grass, with a number on each, a little larger than those used for marking flowers, indicate the places where the late burghers of the Sleepy Hollow finally repose. I have never seen so prosaic and statistical a graveyard. Contrast with this the unfenced spot in a Highland glen, its green grass mingling with the bracken and heather, and its well-marked mound, beside which the sheep and her lambs recline except when roused by the weeping mourner! To live in Brook, and be known after death only as a number in its churchyard, would seem to be the perfection of order and the genius of contentment."

"MILES STANDISH ADAMS!" yelled a Boston mother, poking her head out of the window and addressing her eldest born, who was adjusting his fishing tackle in the back yard. "Come right up stairs this instant and get ready for Sunday-school." Her voice probably failed to reach him, as a few minutes later she looked out again and yelled louder than before: "Miles Standish Adams, don't you hear me? You ought to be ashamed of yourself to be playing with those books and lines on Sunday." ("Can't help it," said Miles, going right on with his preparations. "Our boys are going to celebrate their centennial this week; they've put me down for speaker, and I've got to have fish three times a day if I never go to heaven for it.")—*Exchange.*

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nov 28-602w

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